

Please change the dependency of Claims 4 and 5 to Claim 13.

Claim 5, line 1, replace "first portion" with -- lower member --.

Claim 6, spanning lines 1 and 2, replace "second portion" with -- intermediate member --.

Claim 7, spanning lines 1 and 2, replace "second portion" with -- intermediate member --.

Claim 12, line 2, replace "first pole portion" with -- lower member --.

Claim 14, line 2, after "member is" add -- internally --.

Please re-write claims 8, 11 and 13 as follows:

8. (once amended) The breakaway utility pole of claim 6 [further including a third pole portion having] in which said top member includes the second part of said another two-part male/female connector element.

8. 11. (once amended) The breakaway utility pole of claim 13 [9] in which said lower, intermediate and top members [first, second and third pole portions] are generally cylindrical.

13. (once amended) A plastic breakaway utility pole, comprising:  
a solid, plastic lower member <sup>for embedding</sup> ~~embedded~~ in the ground and having a connector at its top,  
protruding from the ground;

an intermediate hollow, plastic generally cylindrical member interfitted into said lower member connector and protruding up, and having a connector at its top;

and

a solid plastic top member interfitted into said intermediate member connector, and having means for carrying utility wires;

wherein said intermediate member is a hollow plastic tube which <sup>is adapted to fracture</sup> ~~fractures~~ upon a relatively low impact from an automobile.